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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) respectfully petition(s) for a one-month extension of time within which to respond to the outstanding Office Action, such extension allowing the undersigned until March 22, 2004 to respond.

A check is enclosed that includes the amount of \$110.00, as set forth in the enclosed transmittal letter.

Date: March 22, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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